Prime Minister's discussion with Sir Anerood Jugnauth Prime Minister of Mauritius, covered bilateral relations, regional and international issues.

The visit resulted in reaffirmation and consolidation of the existing close ties between the two countries.

Participation in N.P.T. Conference

3257. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to participate in five nation conference on N.P.T.; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Influx from Burma to Bangladesh

3258. SHRI RAJMOHAN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the influx from Burma to Bangladesh; and

(b) whether the Government of Bangladesh has approached the Government of India for any assistance in connection with the influx?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir, Government are aware that there has been an influx of a very large number of people from Myanmar into Bangladesh recently.

(b) No, Sir. Government of Bangladesh have not approached Government of India for any assistance in connection with the influx. However, we have expressed concern over this influx and sympathised with Bangladesh for the difficulties it has been facing as a result of the influx. Further, Government have expreased support for the Bangladesh Government's attempts to find a peaceful solution to the problem.

U. S. Offer on Nuclear Free South Asia

3259. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: SHRI BHUBANESHWAR KALITA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that United States of America have recommended for the five power talks for nuclear free South Asia;

(b) if so, what is Government's stand thereon; and

(c) what are the names of the countries proposed to be invited for talks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government's stand is that a 5-Power Conference cannot take place in a vaccuum and that India's security concerns must be first fully taken into account.

(c) When the proposal was first made, the five countries to be invited were the US, Soviet Union, China, India and Pakistan.

Complaint to United Nations against Pakistan's Anti-India Propaganda

3260. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state: